

AMPC Probus News: Vol 13, Issue 6, No 142

# Asquith Mixed Probus Club BULLEFILE President: Nick Speyer Vice President Elect: John Channon Vice President: Angus Dougall Secretary: Pam Slater Treasurer: Yenda Holland Dianne Watson, Vicki McPherson, Denise Mayhew, Mary Potter, Jim & Judy Thompson, Barry Willick Sandra Death, John Davies,

#### Hi AMPC Members

Here's hoping everyone is keeping well and as active as possible.

What a lovely 12<sup>th</sup> Birthday General Meeting we had at the Golf Club last month. It was so nice to see so many lovely faces in real life!!! Celebrating our Birthday with a yummy cupcake for morning tea was very special as was celebrating Annual Probus Day 2020.

As always, we are only a phone call away if you would like to speak to anybody on the Committee and our contact numbers are on page 3 of the Bulletin.

Just a few photos below to give everyone an idea of what happened at the October Meeting.

Take care and stay safe.

Sylvia







## Meeting Dates Arrive 9 am for a

9.30am start on

Thurs. 5 November 2020

Thurs. 3 December 2020 No meeting Xmas Lunch at Asquith Golf Club 12 noon.

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#### **COMMITTEE NOTES - OCTOBER 2020**

1. Discussion was held regarding rules that need to be complied with at November General Meeting at Golf Club. Remember, if you are not well, please do not attend the meeting.

Phone or email Barry Willick to register your intention of attending meeting. If you are not attending, please send an apology to either Barry Willick or the Secretary.

We would prefer members to wear a mask.

Remember the meeting commences at 9.30 am.

2. A discussion was held after the Treasurer presented the Budget for 2021.

Members who have their Bulletin posted, we ask that if they have an email, to please supply it to the Secretary. We are finding the cost of postage and time delay prohibitive. We do understand that there are members who are not on line and we will continue to post your copy.

Please pick up the copy with your name on, if you attend the meeting.

3. The Outings and Events group will be having a meeting to plan suitable events for next year. If you have any ideas, please contact Jim or Judy.

Pam Slater - Secretary October 2020



### **Other Activities**

BREAKING NEWS... swimming pools to re-open from the 4th July, but due to continued social distancing regulations there will be no water in lanes 1, 3 and 5.....

Men's Group	Robert Allison	Dolls	Barbara Williamson
Auditor		5 <sup>th</sup> Thursday BBQ	Lance Williamson
Books DVD, Jigsaw	Sunny Dougall	Mah-jong	Pam Clarke
	& Robert Montgomery	Theatres	Rhonda Wilson
Dining out	Vicki McPherson	Trivia	Robin Roberts
Cards 500	Mary Glasby	Walks	Laurie Keaton
Pot Luck Meals	Anne Heaton	Web Site	Robert Allison
Public Officer & Historian	Sandra Death	Assist. Tours/Excurs.	Sandra Lees
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# **AMPC COMMITTEE MEMBERS 2020-21**

<b>AMPC Committee Members 2020-21</b>		Phone	Email	
	Officers			
President	Nick Speyer			
Vice-President Elect	John Channon			
Vice President	Angus Dougall			
Secretary	Pam Slater			
Treasurer	Yenda Holland			
	Committee			
Bulletin	Sylvia Gratton			
Hospitality	Vicki McPherson			
Membership	Barry Willick			
Programme	Mary Potter			
	Jim & Judy			
Tours/Excursions	Thompson			
Welfare	Denise Mayhew			
Assistant Secretary	John Davies			
Assistant Treasurer	Dianne Watson			
Historian/Public Officer	Sandra Death			
Past President	Sandra Death			

#### Treasurer's Report as at 1st October, 2020

Income received for year to date \$8,741
Offset by expenses of \$4,842

Year to date surplus balance \$ 3,899

Add previous year's surplus of  $\frac{$6,793}{$10,692}$  Gives an overall member surplus of

This surplus consists of cash of \$12,265 Less liabilities – mainly activities paid in advance \$1,574

Total member equity \$10,692

Yenda Holland 1 October, 2020



#### Programme / Speaker Mary Potter

After hearing at our September meeting what can happen to a cruise ship if the captain is somewhat distracted, it was interesting in October to hear Richard de Grijs present information about how ships navigate and actually know where they are. Quite a different topic in November. This year is the centenary of Lady Davidson Hospital in North Turramurra. Although now a private rehabilitation hospital, it did not start that way. Evelyn Wyatt, who worked there as a palliative care doctor will be speaking on the early history and the struggles in the early 1900s to get the hospital established





MONEYS paid by Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT) should be made to: Bendigo Bank

BSB: 633-000 Account: 139 637 029

Account Name: Asquith Mixed Probus Club

It is important that your EFT payment is able to be identified. Please write your surname and activity abbreviation in the space provided and print the receipt from the bank. This transaction should be made prior to the general meeting. A copy of the EFT receipt and a completed Activities Payment Voucher shall be presented at the payments desk where a receipt will be provided. This receipt shall then be presented at the Activity Organiser's desk to have your attendance confirmed and your receipt endorsed by the organiser. Any transaction that cannot be identified will be forfeited to the Club.

#### **HOSPITALITY / DINING OUT**

Our Ryde TAFE lunches begin this Friday for those of you who have signed up. I hope you all have an enjoyable lunch, I'm sure you will.

Christmas lunch will be on Thursday 3rd of December at 12 noon at Asquith Golf Club. The price is yet to be confirmed but I'll let those going know as soon as possible. I have 40 people signed up but I think I'm able to take more so if you wish to attend please let me know, It will be gluten free Christmas fare and I'm sure Stuart will do us proud as usual.

#### **ACTIVITIES JIM & JUDY THOMPSON**

THURSDAY 19 Nov 2020. MINI GOLF

Drive yourself! Our final activity for the year will be a game of Mini Golf at the Brickpit on Pennant Hills Road, Thornleigh. Arrive between 10.00 and 10.30 am to allow time for a coffee before hit off. The course is OK for all skill levels. Cost \$14.We are limited to 20 persons. There are a few vacancies left so let me know on or. We can have lunch at their café afterwards.

Regards

Jim Thompson



#### NORFOLK ISLAND 45 94

A couple of Probus members have mentioned they are in need of a break and Norfolk Island is on their priority.

With Jim and Judy's blessing I am putting it out to anyone who would be interested in joining a group on a holiday

to NORFOLK ISLAND. Depending on availability, we are looking at perhaps the end of March. The agent can put

a package together when I have numbers/bedding configuration/etc but we will need to be quick because of the influx

of tourism within Australia.

Interested? Please contact me ASAP with expression of interest,

RHONDA



# CONGRATULATIONS BARRY MAYHEW, DUSTY MILLER & BOB BURROWES ON REACHING THIS AMAZING MILESTONE!







#### **POPULAR AUTHORS**

We have done Dick Francis and Alexander McCall Smith, so how about an American author for a change of pace.

Most people have heard of the successful book and movie' *The Lincoln Lawyer'* - about an American attorney who worked from the back of his enormous Lincoln car. Great imagination and detail. But who wrote this and what do we know about him?

Michael Connelly was a former police reporter for *The Los Angeles Times*, but has now sold more than 74 million copies worldwide, and translated into 40 languages. He has won the Edgar and Anthony Award, and the 2018 CWA Diamond Dagger, the highest honour in British crime writing. For an author, that would have to be seen as real success.

One of the clever devices he uses is to have two basic heroes - one Mickey Haller (the Lincoln lawyer) as well as, well seasoned detective Harry Bosch, both in separate novels; and also, sometimes they both appear in the same novel. It is a personal thing, but I prefer the lawyer novels more, yet Connelly has written more of the detective novels, and it is these that have been made into the successful TV series - *Bosch*.

Michael Connelly spends his time in California and Florida. And when we can get back to it, we have a Mickey Haller, and a Harry Bosch novel in the Book Exchange now.

Angus D.

#### **WELFARE**

I've recently had the pleasure of speaking with three of our long standing and delightful members

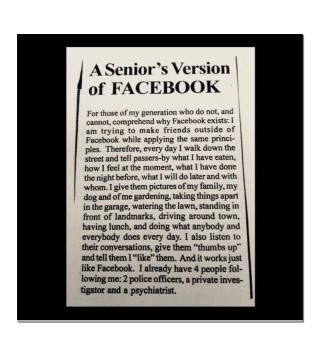
Molly Raynor had good news on Monday after having a scan on her neck at RNS Hospital last week, Molly spoke with her Neurosurgeon and even though Molly will be wearing her neck brace for another 4 weeks the scan has indicated no surgery will be necessary. This is good news indeed.

After spending quite a few weeks in Hornsby Hospital, Noelene Oliver is continuing with her recuperation at home, taking phone calls and having good friends to visit. Noelene tells me she is feeling well, doing well and "just taking things slowly", very good advice to follow.

Unfortunately, Betty Ryan has been suffering the continued pain of a shingles attack she experienced quite a while ago. Betty has been having continuing treatment at the SAH but is more than happy that her treatment is now to continue at home. Always bright when you speak to her, Betty asked me to pass on to you that she's "On the upper".

Happy Birthday to everyone celebrating their special day, apologies to people I missed calling (because of my covid brain). The worry is that I owe so many people chocolates I think I'll have to order a Cadburys truck to deliver 'goodies' the first time we all get back together.

#### **Denise Mayhew**







#### **WALK REPORT LAURIE KEATON**

29 members participated in the two Brooklyn activities conducted on September 24. John Britten (Short) and Kevin Watson (Long) lead the two groups which ended at picturesque McKell Park. The October Walk saw 20 members on the Cremorne Point Walk and a further 8 lunch only members coming together for lunch at the Rowers Bar at Mosman Rowers. With phone and internet connections lost to the club a late email caused minor worries. Thanks to Barbara for bringing the lunch only group and to those members who changed from the walk activity to ensure only 20 participated.



#### **Future Walks**

Thursday 26 November: Registrations are closed for the Collaroy to Dee Why Walk (7.2 km) It may be possible for one or two more to attend. Phone Laurie on 0409 226 121. Barry Brown has a great package on the day. 08.56 (Berowra) 0909 Hornsby. -Train.

Summer Walks: Evening Walks will be conducted on 21 January and 25 February 2021.

Walks Group at Cremorne Point



Tricia & Helen at Robertson's Point Cremorne



#### WHERE DID THAT WORD COME FROM?

In the ancient world, grain was hurled into the air using a tool called a winnowing fork.

Wind separated the edible part of the grain (wheat) from the lighter, inedible part (chaff). in Mathew 3:12 John the Baptist warned that on the judgement day Jesus would separate

the wheat from the chaff - ie. good people from evil. And we assume this is where the phrase originated from.

#### Angus D

#### **THEATRE PARTY**

#### Unfortunately, the GOOD OLD DAYS CONCERT is not happening.



**HOOKED ON CLASSICS** with 45-piece Symphony Orchestra

Classical Classics - Mozart to Bach, Vivaldi to Mendelssohn, Tchaikovsky to Strauss.

SATURDAY 27 MARCH 2021 3PM

STATE THEATRE

Price: \$79.00 person Due DECEMBER Meeting



COME FROM AWAY is a Tony Award winning musical which tells the remarkable true story of thousands of stranded passengers and the

town in Newfoundland, Canada that welcomed them.

WEDNESDAY 18th AUGUST, 2021 1:00pm CAPITAL THEATRE Price \$75.00 Due MAY Meeting

**HAMILTON** - I have managed to secure more reasonably priced tickets

in T Row Stalls. (The cheaper price available is in the very back row of the Dress Circle which is not recommended).

SATURDAY 16 OCTOBER 2021 2pm Lyric Theatre Price: \$110 Due by JULY Meeting





#### **DOLLS**

For Knitters and Stuffers: - Dolls this month will be on 27<sup>th</sup> November at 11.30am N.B. There will not be a Dolls meeting in December. Regards, Barbara.





#### Aphorism is a statement of truth or opinion expressed in a concise and witty manner.

I read that 4,153,237 people were married last year. Not to cause any trouble, but shouldn't that be an even number?

I find it ironic that the colours red, white and blue stand for freedom until they are flashing behind you.

When wearing a bikini, women reveal 90% of their bodies. Men are so polite they only look at the covered parts.

Relationships are a lot like algebra. Have you ever looked at your X and wondered Y?

You know that tingly little feeling you get when you love someone? That's common sense leaving your body.

My therapist says I have a preoccupation with vengeance. We'll see about that.

I think my neighbour is stalking me as she's been Googling my name on her computer. I saw it through my telescope last night.

Money talks but all mine ever says is goodbye.

You're not fat, you're just easier to see.

If you think nobody cares whether you're alive, try missing a couple of payments.

I always wondered what the job application is like at Hooters. Do they just give you a bra and say, "Here, fill this out?"

The location of your mailbox shows you how far away from your house you can go in a robe before you start looking like a mental patient.

Money can't buy happiness, but it keeps the kids in touch.